

WASHINGTON, D. C., SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 1912.

## Society

## In the Social Swirl.

MRS. TAFT and Miss Helen Taft, who are at present in New York, will probably reach Washington on Wednesday or Thursday and join the President. Owing to the official mourning for the Vice President, no formal entertaining will take place at the White House at present.

In the "little season," before the rush of debutante teas, dinners, and dances, the gay world of the National Capital is taking its pleasures in homoeopathic doses, sugar coated, and pleasant to the taste, but not lasting in effect.

One of the amusements of which residents here never seem to tire are the moving picture shows. Go any evening in the week to the Masonic Temple and glance about the well-filled hall. There you will find members of the Russian Embassy, the Turkish Embassy, the Japanese Embassy, the Cuban Legation, and many other representatives of the foreign governments spending a leisure hour before dropping into the Metropolitan Club or visiting fashionable homes in the Northwest. And the army and navy set, as well as the resident circle, go often to the building, the curb being lined with smart electric and limousines nightly.

The skating rink at the Arcade is another popular resort for the younger smart set. Last Wednesday the Misses Allen, daughters of Col. and Mrs. Henry T. Allen, gave a large skating party, afterward taking their guests to their home for a hot supper. And many jolly parties are given nightly at the Playhouse by the ultra-fashionable men and women. The Riding Club and the Fencing Club also have their devotees, both masculine and feminine, and Washington society stand second to none in these two sports.

The day of the debutante is approaching with great rapidity. Already many dates have been set for the initial appearance of the pretty "buds," who will find a cordial welcome awaiting them in Washington drawing rooms.

One of the most interesting of the debutantes of the season will undoubtedly be Miss Leila Ray Harrison, daughter of Mrs. George E. F. Harrison, and niece of Mrs. Edward F. Qualtrough, both of whom, when the Misses Ray, were belles in the old resident circle of the Capital. The late Mrs. Ross Ray, Miss Harrison's grandmother, resided at the corner of F and Nineteenth Streets, in the house now leased by the Minister of the Netherlands and Mme. Loudon, and which was the center of the gayety and gracious hospitality of that day during the Grant administration.

Mrs. Harrison has been absent from Washington for some twenty-five years, and has just returned to introduce her daughter to the family friends of many years residing here. Mrs. Qualtrough will give a debut tea for her niece at the Playhouse on Tuesday afternoon, December 10, and later she will give a cotillion for her at Rauscher's. Mrs. Harrison will also give a ball for her daughter in January.

Miss Harrison, who is a beautiful blond, has been in Europe for the past year with Mrs. Qualtrough, and has met with marked social success both in Rome and Berlin, where she was constantly entertained.

Another debutante, who made her bow to society in Europe last year, is Miss Margaret Perin, the charming daughter of Mrs. George Howard. She was presented at the Court of St. James, and was one of the most popular debutantes in London during the season there. Mrs. Howard will introduce Miss Perin to Washington society at a tea at her home on December 11.

Miss Rebekah Wilmer is another "bud" from the old resident circle of the Capital who will be extensively entertained by their hosts of friends. Dr. and Mrs. Wilmer will give a tea for her at their new home, 2101 R Street, on Saturday afternoon, December 7.

Brig. Gen. James B. Aleshire, U. S. A., and Mrs. Aleshire will introduce their second daughter, Miss Dorothy Aleshire, to Washington society at a tea at their residence in S Street, on December 17. Miss Aleshire spent last winter at school in Paris.

Another "army girl," Miss Esther Foote, will be presented to society at a tea given by her father and mother, Col. Stephen M. Foote, U. S. A., and Mrs. Foote, at their apartments in the Brighton, on Wednesday afternoon, December 11.

Mr. and Mrs. Orlando H. Smith will give a large reception at Rauscher's on Saturday evening, December 14, to present their young daughter, Miss Lanette Smith, to society at the Capital.

The all-absorbing topic of conversation in salon and club to-day, to-morrow, and Tuesday will be the election, and society is making every preparation to obtain the earliest returns from the polls in the easiest and most entertaining way. The city will be honeycombed with special wires Tuesday evening, reaching into every club and hotel of importance and not a few of the private residences of leaders in official and residential circles. At the White House a special service for returns will be in working order, and although neither the President nor any member of his family is expected to be there, undoubtedly a large number of the higher officials and their wives, will go to the Executive Mansion to hear the results of the election, and nowhere will the bulletins be more eagerly scanned. The President himself will be in Cincinnati, where he will cast his own vote. And Mrs. Taft and Miss Helen Taft will hear the returns at the Manhattan Hotel in New York.

Many of the Cabinet officers will be out of the city casting their votes also, but those who are in Washington and the members of their families will be among the gathering at the White House Tuesday evening.

At the Metropolitan Club, the Army and Navy Club, the Cosmos Club, the University Club, and others, wires will tell the members the results throughout the country.

Many of the men and women who play a prominent part in Washington's gay world will spend part of Tuesday evening in Pennsylvania and New York Avenues, joining in the great, good-natured and much-thrilled crowds about the newspaper bulletin boards. That the fashionable hotels will be the scenes of many gay gatherings is a foregone conclusion. The managements have also provided for giving the latest returns to their patrons.

On November 11 Washington will capitulate to the United Daughters of the Confederacy—which goes to show that the "female of the species is more deadly than the male"—and the National Capital will give a warm welcome to the hundreds of charming representatives of the "sunny South."

The session of this convention will be presided over by Mrs. Alexander R. White, of Paris, Tenn., president-general. Mrs. Drury C. Ludlow is one of the vice presidents; Mrs. Roy Weeks McKinney, of Paducah, Ky., is recording secretary; Mrs. Edward C. Schnabel, of New Orleans, is corresponding secretary. The delegates to the convention will be extensively entertained during their stay in Washington. President and Mrs. Taft will receive the Daughters in the White House on Thursday, November 14.

On November 8 President Taft will receive the Japanese ambassador, Viscount Sotomi Chinda, who will present his official papers from the new Emperor of Japan. During that same day the President will also receive the Minister from Denmark, Mr. Brun, who has recently arrived in Washington.

The Secretary of the Interior and Mrs. Walter Fisher have returned to Washington from an extended trip to Hawaii and the West and have opened their residence, 1810 Connecticut Avenue, for the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Chaplin, who have spent the past month at the French Lick Springs, have returned to Washington for the season.

Mr. James T. Du Bois, American Minister to Colombia, has gone to New York.

Commander and Mrs. Edward F. Qualtrough will move shortly to the residence 1714 I Street, which they have leased for the season, having sold their house in Hillary Place to Mr. and Mrs. Beale Bloomer, who will occupy it this winter.

Mrs. Thomas K. Laughlin, sister of Mrs. Taft, will arrive in Washington within the next few days to take possession of the house 122 N Street, which she has rented for the winter. Mrs. Laughlin, who is well known here, is a welcome addition to the winter colony.

Mrs. Henry A. Peckham has given up her residence on Connecticut Avenue and has leased a house on K Street for the winter. Her mother, Mrs. William Anderson, of Cincinnati, has just received word that her handsome cottage at Watch Hill has been completely destroyed by fire.

Washingtonians are deeply interested in the announcement of the engagement of Baroness Alice Mocheur, daughter of Baron Charles Mocheur, Belgian Ambassador to Turkey, and formerly the Minister of Belgium at Washington, to Mr. L. F. Loree, of New York, and West Orange, N. J. Baron and Baroness Mocheur were among the most popular of the diplomats in Washington, and their daughter has many friends in the city.

Mrs. Merriam, wife of Paymaster Merriam, U. S. N., has arrived in Washington and is visiting her mother, Mrs. Richard Wallach, at her home in I Street.

The Army-Navy Chapter, D. A. R., will give a card party in the parlors of the New Elbion on the afternoon of November 19 at 2 o'clock to raise funds to finish payment on the memorial which

was erected for the chapter in Capitol Hill, 1912.

Mrs. William H. Carter, wife of Maj. Gen. Carter, U. S. A., is chairman of the committee in charge and is being assisted by W. D. West, Mr. Charles Lane, Mrs. R. C. DuBois, and Mrs. Edward A. Godwin. Tickets can be purchased from Mrs. DuBois, at 202 Sixteenth Street, and from Mrs. Godwin, at the Dresden.

The Russian Ambassador and Mme. Bakhteff have returned to the city from New York, where they made a brief stay.

Maj. Theodore Low, U. S. M. C., retired, who has been visiting relatives in Sayen, Conn., has returned to Washington and opened his home, 1909 N Street.

Rear Admiral Leavitt C. Logan, U. S. N., retired, has returned to Washington and opened his residence on Hillary Place.

A wedding of interest to Washingtonians took place in New York yesterday at noon when Miss Lucy Gunn, niece of Col. Roger Birnie, U. S. A., and daughter of Col. Roger Birnie, U. S. A., and Mrs. Birnie, and Mr. Henry Vincent Horgan were married in the chancery of Grace Church. Only relatives of the bride and bridegroom witnessed the ceremony, which was performed by the Rev. Dr. Flattery, rector of the church.

The bride, who was unattended, wore a stylish dark blue traveling suit and a smart hat to match. After the ceremony the bride and bridegroom and their relatives were entertained at a wedding breakfast at Sherry's. Mr. and Mrs. Horgan will reside in Glen Ridge, N. Y.

Miss Sylvia May is the guest of Miss Annette Goldsmith, of Calvert Street.

Miss Valerie Padelford, granddaughter of Mrs. Ordway, will spend the Christmas holidays with her friend, Miss Alice Lewis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thornton Lewis, at their home in Cincinnati. Later in the season Mrs. Lewis will introduce her daughter to Washington society, having leased an apartment here for the winter.

Miss Marguerite Kaufman, of Rhode Island Avenue, entertained Thursday night in celebration of Halloween. Among those present were the Misses Sara Koenigsberger, Gladys Mayer, Celeste Goodman, Belle Schiffman, Doris Schiffman, Louise Einstein, Amalie Hollander, Alma Kaufman, Edith Strausberger, Florence Nye, and Verberna Adler; Messrs. Arthur Luchs, Arthur Neuman, Maurice Elsmann, Joseph Kaufman, Norman Fischer, Jerome Meyers, Eugene Young, Emanuel Haas, Bernard Baer, Albert Steiner, Spiny Kaufman, and Irving Kaufman.

Among the important government officials well known nationally is Mr. Joseph Edward Ralph, Director of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, the "man who makes the money." Mr. Ralph is a native of Illinois and is now in his home city to cast his vote for President Taft. Mrs. Ralph is also a native of Illinois and was born in Rockford, although she has passed most of her life in Chicago until her marriage.

Friends of the dignified and efficient director have recently been amused by a story which appeared in the American Magazine for October and which was inadvertently reprinted by The Herald. This story represented the director of the bureau, known as a most prosaic and practical man, in the light of a gay Lothario, defying the conventionalities and escaping with the money of his choice in true melodramatic fashion. According to the magazine, Mr. Ralph met his wife at a ball given on the evening of March 12, in Joliet, and that he ran away and married her the next day. Mr. Ralph says that the first part is true; that he met his wife at such a time and place, and that he would have been willing to elope the next day, but the love affair



Granddaughter of Mrs. Ross Ray, will make her debut December 10.

was kept entirely within conventional lines. Mrs. Ralph was Miss Elizabeth Wood, and her marriage to Mr. Ralph occurred several months after the first meeting, and was solemnized in July, 1888, at St. Japheth's Church, in Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, in the presence of their relatives and close friends. There are four sons of this eminently happy union, of whom the eldest, Edward, is engaged in business in Arizona, and the others, Robert, Daniel, and Howard, are attending local schools. Mrs. Ralph possesses great charm of character and manner, and is especially active in religious and philanthropic work. Their home in Brookline is a noted center of hospitality.

Mrs. George Cabot Lodge sailed from New York yesterday on the Oceanic to spend the winter in Europe.

Mrs. Dunbar gave a delightful tea yesterday afternoon at the Naval Hospital in honor of Mrs. Menefee, wife of Lieut. Com. Menefee, U. S. N.

Mr. Leon Oppenheimer is spending the weekend in Washington with his parents. Mr. Oppenheimer is a student at the University of Pennsylvania.

A delightful Halloween dinner on Thursday night in honor of the Assistant Attorney General and Mrs. Peyton, at the Brighton. Later in the evening their guests were entertained by fortune-telling, ball dancing, and dance for the younger guests.

Mr. and Mrs. James Kerr were also hosts that night at the Brighton.

Miss Verberna Adler has returned to New York after spending several weeks with relatives in the city.

Col. and Mrs. Charles Broomwell, formerly of Washington, are stopping at the Country Club in Cleveland, Ohio, before taking possession of the house they have leased there for the winter.

Mrs. Bonheim and son have returned to New York after spending several weeks with relatives in the city.

Read Admiral and Mrs. Thomas B. Howard have leased an apartment at Stoneleigh Court for the season.

Mrs. Henry Jonas and little son Harold have returned to their home in Garden City, N. Y., after a stay of several weeks with their cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Goldsmith.

Mrs. J. Porter Biddle will leave for New York this week and will make a series of visits in the neighborhood of Philadelphia before returning to Washington.

Mr. Lazarus, of New York, has returned to his home after a short visit in the city.

The marriage of Miss Isabelle Shaw and Mr. Miles Standish Slocum, of New York, took place October 31 in St. Louis, at the Central Presbyterian Church, the Rev. Dr. Maue officiating.

The bride, who is an orphan, was given in marriage by her uncle, Mr. Lewis C. Nelson, at whose home a wedding supper was served and a reception was held following the ceremony.

The church was beautifully decorated with chrysanthemums and smilax, and at the home the decorations were of chrysanthemums and smilax in the dining-room, and American Beauties and smilax in the drawing-room, where the reception was held.

The bride wore a beautiful gown of white satin brocade, partially veiled in chiffon, embroidered with pearls and trimmed with some handsome duchess lace. A long court train of the brocade fell from the high waist line at the back. She carried a shower of lilies of the valley and orchids.

Mrs. Walker Hall was matron of honor, and another cousin of the bride, Miss Edna Nelson, was maid of honor. There were two bridesmaids, Miss Kathleen Thrill and Miss Emily Cale, and the bridegroom was attended by Mr. Jerome Slocum as best man. Mr. Jack Feeny, of New York; Mr. Walker Hall, of Cincinnati; and Mr. Harry Webster, of St. Louis, were the groomsmen.

Mr. and Mrs. Slocum will reside in New York, where the bridegroom, who is a son of Col. Slocum, U. S. A., and a great-nephew of Mrs. Russell Sage, is in business.

Mr. Lawrence Heller, of the University of Pennsylvania, is spending several days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. Heller.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Goldsmith will give a reception at Rauscher's on Thursday evening, November 7, from 8 to 12 o'clock, in honor of the engagement of their daughter, Miss Annette Goldsmith, to William B. Thalhimer, of Richmond.

Miss Bessie Reyner and Harry Reyner leave Richmond, Va., Tuesday for Washington to attend the reception.

One of the most enjoyable affairs of the season among the younger set of Washington was the Halloween party and dance given by Mr. and Mrs. William L. Aldorfer at their bungalow in Chevy Chase on Thursday evening. Mr.

Joseph G. Koloky, of this city, was recently announced, has been in Washington making arrangements to have his portrait painted by Miss Annette Gavett, who is an artist of distinction. Miss London is a popular debutante of the fall in Baltimore.

Miss Ella Simon, who spent the past six months in this city as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. A. Nussbaum, and part of the time in Norfolk and New York, returned to her home in Monticello, Va.

Miss Gailie Simms, of Washington, who is the guest of Mrs. J. D. Thomas, of Round Hill, Va., will return to the city this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Silver announced the marriage of their daughter Margaret to Mr. S. Smiler. The ceremony was performed October 29 by Rabbi L. Stern at the home of the bride, in I Street.

A delightful Halloween party was given by Miss Edna Petrola at her residence, 516 Ninth Street. Her guests were entertained by games and singing, and they entered heartily into the spirit of the occasion. The house was decorated with autumn flowers and lanterns, and a delicious supper was served later in the evening. Among the guests were Miss Stella Petrola, Miss Mildred Petrola, Miss Ben Wood, Miss Alta Wood, Miss Bessie Pettit, Miss Margaret Cogan, Miss Lillie Patzschke, Miss Rebecca Henderson, Miss Hetty Patzschke, Miss Florence Woodrich, Mr. John B. Altmann, Jr., Mr. J. O. Pumphrey, Mr. Adolph Farnett, Mr. Edward Castelle, Jr., Mr. Edward J. Marney, Mr. Milton R. Shaw, and Mr. George Wright.

Mrs. David Posner has returned to New York after a short visit in the city.

St. Dominic's Church was the scene of an attractive wedding Wednesday evening, October 23, when Miss Emily Uvatt, of Southwell, Nottinghamshire, England, and Mr. Thomas Marriott Smith, Jr., of this city, were married. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. J. A. Cowan. Mrs. Patrick C. Geoghegan was matron of honor, and Mr. Patrick C. Geoghegan was the best man. The bride wore a becoming gown of white satin, trimmed with lace and pearls, and carried a bouquet of white roses.

Although Mr. Smith has only resided in Washington a few years, he has many friends here. The bride party were entertained at the New Elbion immediately after the ceremony. They left later in the evening on an extended trip through Canada.

Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Gusdorff, of Brookfield Avenue, announce the engagement of their daughter Flora to Mr. E. Katzenstein.

The governing board of the Federal Women's Equality Association will give a reception in the parlors of the Elbion House Tuesday evening, November 5. Addresses will be made by Mrs. Fred Du Bois, Dr. Elmore Folkman, Mr. R. E. Lambert, Miss Janet Richards, Mrs. Edwin Beldoin, Miss Henrietta F. Hiron, and Mrs. Jennie L. Monroe. Music will be given under the direction of Mrs. Warner Gibbs and Mr. John Whitcomb.

Mrs. Bertha Colonna, of the Wilburton, who has been abroad all summer visiting her son-in-law and daughter, Dr. and Mrs. Otto, of Budapest, has returned to her home.

Mrs. Nannie M. Arnold, of Whitman, Cal., who has been visiting her brother, Judge Jesse M. Hiatt, in Harvard Street for the past week, left yesterday for her home, going by way of Chicago, St. Louis, and New Orleans.

Mrs. P. Peyer, of the Stanford, is spending several weeks in Newport News, where she is the guest of her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. S. Peyer.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Jester, of 1804 Lamont Street Northwest, gave a children's party Thursday afternoon for their small son and daughter, Jim and Betsy Jester, and to a dozen of their playmates of the Friends Select School. A large pumpkin formed the table centerpiece. Place decorations were parts of a complete telephone system, the boys having the telephones and the girls the receivers. The pumpkin was filled with prizes for the diners.

Miss Nellie Claire Howard entertained at a pretty Halloween party Friday evening. The guests toasted marshmallows and enjoyed apples and chestnuts around the open fire, where old-fashioned stories were told. There was a bright jack-o'-lantern shining from the front bay window, which was appropriate to the occasion. Among those present were Miss Carrie Lee Chamberland, Miss Nannie Sweeney, the Misses Day, Mr. Sharon, Messrs. Howard, Mr. Price, Mr. Summatt, Mr. Brown, and Mr. Campanelli, of Georgetown University.

St. Paul's Church on Wednesday morning was the scene of a quiet wedding, when Miss Anna Marguerite Breen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William H. Breen, and Mr. Samuel C. Turley were married, with nuptial mass by Mr. James F. Mackin. The altar was beautifully decorated with white chrysanthemums and many lighted tapers. During the mass the organist, Mrs. Mary Byrne Dowling, rendered several beautiful selections.

The bride, who is most charming and attractive, was becomingly attired in a

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